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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Paul M. ESKER

For: MICROSTRIP RF SIGNAL COMBINER

Enclosed are:

\boxtimes	A specification consisting of Nine (9) pages
\boxtimes	Three (3) sheet(s) formal drawings
\boxtimes	An assignment of the invention
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
\boxtimes	Applicant does not claim priority
	Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). filed in on . Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow.

\boxtimes	Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)
	Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
	Preliminary Amendment
	Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
	Other:
	Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(b) and submitted with the application upon filing.

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